IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

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Plaintiff, : CR-2-15-098

JUDGE FROST

V.

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JOHN D. SULLIVAN,

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Defendant. :

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

WHEREAS, the Information (Doc. 9) filed in this action contained a forfeiture allegation (Forfeiture A) notifying Defendant John D. Sullivan that the United States sought the forfeiture of specific property, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §2253(a)(1) and (3), based on the conduct of Defendant John D. Sullivan in Count One of the Information, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §2252(a)(4)(B), which property is fully described below ("subject property"); and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2015, Defendant John D. Sullivan entered a Plea of Guilty to Count One of the Information; and

WHEREAS, in the Plea Agreement (Doc. 10) filed April 17, 2015, Defendant John D. Sullivan acknowledged liability for the forfeiture alleged in Forfeiture A of the Information involving certain facilitating computer equipment and visual depictions of child pornography, all of which were seized from Defendant John D. Sullivan at the time of the execution of the search warrant in this case. Defendant John D. Sullivan agreed to co-operate fully in the forfeiture of

the computer equipment, accessories, and child pornography, and also agreed not to contest the forfeiture in any way or to assist others in contesting the forfeiture. Defendant John D. Sullivan further agreed to abandon any and all pornographic materials seized, whether depicting adults or minors or both, and agreed to abandon all photographs which depict minors, other than photographs of clothed minor members of his own family.

WHEREAS, by virtue of said Information, Guilty Plea, and Plea Agreement the Court has determined that the requisite nexus exists between the subject property and Count One of the Information, that the subject property is forfeitable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §2253(a)(1) and (3), and that the United States is now entitled to possession of the subject property.

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED AND DECREED**:

- 1. That Defendant John D. Sullivan shall forfeit to the United States the subject property that is:
 - (A) All matter containing said visual depictions or child pornography and child erotica, transported, mailed, shipped, and possessed in violation of 18 U.S.C. §2252(a)(4)(B); and
 - (B) All property used and intended to be used to commit and to promote the commission of the aforementioned violation, including but not limited to the following:
 - (1) One (1) Seagate external hard-drive, SN: NA0BEVY5, including its contents; and
 - (2) One (1) Dell desktop computer, SN: 3SZ3SC1, including its contents.

- 2. That the designated agent with Immigration and Customs Enforcement / Homeland Security Investigations shall immediately seize the subject property and hold same in his secure custody and control.
- 3. That the United States is authorized to conduct any discovery proper in identifying, locating or disposing of the subject property in accordance with Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(3).
- 4. That the United States shall publish, in accordance with the provisions of 21 U.S.C. §853(n), notice of this Order and notice of its intent to dispose of the subject property in such manner as the Attorney General may direct.
- 5. The United States shall also provide written notice to any person who reasonably appears to be a potential claimant with standing to contest the forfeiture in the ancillary proceeding in accordance with Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(6).
- 6. That pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(4), this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture shall become final as to Defendant John D. Sullivan at the time of sentencing and shall be made part of the sentence and included in the judgment. If no third party files a timely claim, this Order shall become the Final Order of Forfeiture, as provided by Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(2).
- 7. That following the Court's disposition of all petitions filed pursuant to 21 U.S.C. \$853(n), or, if no such petitions are filed, following the expiration of the period for the filing of such petitions, the United States shall have clear title to the subject property.

8. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Order, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(e).

ORDERED this 19th day of May, 2015.

/s/ GREGORY L. FROST HONORABLE GREGORY L. FROST UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Respectfully submitted,

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